

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (CDC)

Regular Meeting

July 12, 2016, 6:30pm Street-Jones Building 1000 E. 11th Street, Room 400A Austin, Texas 78702

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

The Community Development Commission (CDC) convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at the Street-Jones Building, 1000 E. 11th Street, Austin, TX, Room 400A.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm, with 9 members present; Commissioner Taylor arrived shortly after the call to order.

Board Members in Attendance:	Members Absent:	City of Austin (COA) Staff
Joe Deshotel, Vice Chair	Lottie Dailey	in Attendance:
Fisayo Fadelu	Lisa Hinely	Maria Allen
Fred McGhee		Lauren Avioli
Edward McHorse		Javier Delgado
Karen Paup		Erica Leak
Gilbert Rivera, Chair		Jim Padilla
Rosanne Singer		Matthew Ramirez
Bettye Taylor		Lisa Rodriguez
Rocio Villalobos		
Freddy Zamora		

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

There were no speakers.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The motion to approve the June 14, 2016, meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Deshotel, seconded by Commissioner Fadelu, and approved by a vote of 9-0.

3. UPDATE FROM THE CDC HOUSING COMMITTEE

Briefing from the CDC Housing Committee, discussion, and possible action (Karen Paup, CDC Commissioner).

Commissioner Karen Paup briefed the CDC.

4. COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)

Briefing and discussion on the Community Services Block Grant (Maria Allen, Manager, Neighborhood Services Unit, Health and Human Services Department).

Maria Allen, HHSD, presented.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Briefing, discussion and possible action on the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Draft Action Plan (Jim Padilla, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development [NHCD]).

Stuart Harry Hersch addressed the CDC; Jim Padilla, NHCD, presented.

Following discussion, Commissioner McGhee moved to recommend support of the staff's proposal with friendly amendments, stated below.

The CDC recommends approval of the City's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Action Plan with edits outlined in the change log.

The CDC also recommends allocating an additional \$500,000 from the Housing Trust Fund to the Home Repair Program.

Commissioner McHorse seconded, and the motion passed by vote of 9-1 (Chair Rivera opposed).

b. Discussion and possible action on Cactus Rose Mobile Home Park and City of Austin's Levander Loop site.

Javier Delgado, NHCD, briefed the CDC. Susana Almanza, Director of People Organized in the Defense of Earth and her Resources (PODER), addressed the board.

Following discussion, Commissioner McGhee moved to make the following recommendation to City Council:

The CDC recommends that City Council pursue emergency rezoning of the Levander Loop (also known as Gardner Road) site, designate it as a site for the relocation of Cactus Rose Mobile Home Park residents, and expedite the development of the site for those residents. The CDC further recommends that City Council deny the rezoning of the Cactus Rose site requested by the developer, unless the developer honors the Cactus Rose residents' plan to:

- 1) Remain on site, and that the developer accommodate them by constructing a new mobile home park there, and provide the residents with new or used mobile homes funded by the developer, or;
- 2) That City staff provide suitable City-owned land where the residents can relocate as a whole community to a new site within a 2.5-mile radius of the existing mobile home park, with funding for new or used trailers provided by the developer, and with the City providing the land as a Community Land Trust.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Deshotel and passed unanimously.

c. Discussion and possible action on Tenant Relocation Policy.

Lauren Avioli, NHCD, briefed the CDC on the current Tenant Relocation Policy Draft Ordinance. Stephanie Trinh, Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid, presented comments from Heather Way's document, dated July 12, 2016, written in response to the draft ordinance.

Commissioner Paup moved to make the following recommendation:

The CDC recommends that City Council review the attached recommendations by Heather Way, dated July 12, 2016, entitled, "City of Austin's Proposed Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance, Outline of Issues and Suggested Changes, Second Draft of Ordinance," and incorporate the changes recommended in that document, where appropriate, into the Draft Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance.

Commissioner Fred McGhee seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Presentation, discussion and possible action on the draft Austin Strategic Housing Plan (Neighborhood Housing and Community Development staff).

Stuart Harry Hersch addressed the board. This item was tabled until August.

b. Presentation, discussion and possible action on the 2016-17 Annual Internal Review Report, including the CDC's 2016-2017 goals and objectives.

Lisa G. Rodriguez, NHCD, presented. Following discussion, Commissioner McGhee requested the following addition to the report:

Selection of Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Governance Working Group

On February 9th, 2016, the CDC approved a motion to form a CSBG Governance Working Group to further explore the structure of the CDC. Commissioners Lottie Dailey, Fred McGhee and Rosanne Singer were appointed to serve on the working group.

Commissioner Singer moved to approve the draft 2016-17 Annual Internal Review Report with the edit above, Commissioner Taylor seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Public housing in Austin (Commissioner McGhee)
- Austin Strategic Housing Plan
- Brown Field Recovery presentation by Austin Resource Recovery
- Impact fees; commercial mitigation (key developers to be identified)
- TDHCA staff briefing on their programs, especially the Housing Trust Fund
- Potential next steps regarding development of the Gardner Road and Tillery Street City-owned sites for affordable housing.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Rivera adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:45pm.